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### UNIVERSITY

## Perry pushes for funding

By Shelley Holmgren  
Administration Editor

President Bill Perry will be testifying on behalf of Eastern and other state universities to be partially funded based upon performance in front of the Senate Appropriations II Committee on Wednesday.

Previously, Perry has spoken on behalf of this outcome-based funding effort to the House of Representatives Higher Education Committee and the Illinois Board of Higher Education Finance Study Commission.

"(The university) is doing everything we can to get informed regarding the bills that are coming forward and its potential impact on Eastern," Perry said.

During its spring 2010 session, the Illinois General Assembly approved Senate Joint Resolution 88, asking the Illinois Board of Higher Education to organize the Higher Education Finance Study Commission, focused on different implementation methods for outcome-based funding.

This method of funding involves appropriating state monies based on how the school performs at certain criteria, including retention rates, graduation and academics.

Perry said by linking general revenue appropriations to institutional performance, an institution has the opportunity to demonstrate its commitment to continuous improvement.

"The key is, what we do in performance-based funding be aligned with the public agenda with college and career success, which means you want more access for citizens of Illinois and more success (for students)," Perry said. "However, the fact is, it still depends on the student (to be successful)."

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### HAITI CONNECTION

## Coffee shop to support clean water

By Grant Anderson  
Reporter Staff

Charleston coffee shop will sponsor a night of fundraising to support an international water purification program.

The Jackson Avenue Coffee Shop, 708 Jackson Ave., will host "Haiti Night at the Jac" from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. today to support the efforts of the Haiti Connection.

The coffee shop will donate 100 percent of its profits from bread bowl sales Tuesday night to Gadyen Dlo, the group's pure water program in Haiti.

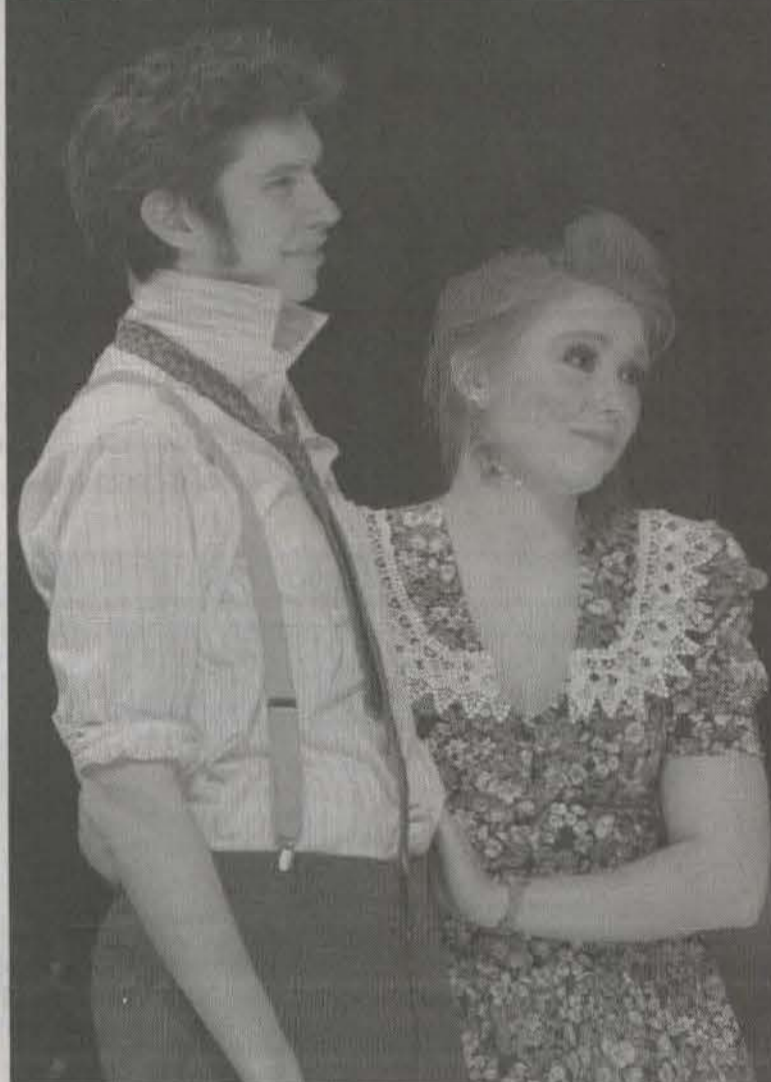
Gadyen Dlo, the Haitian word for "Water Guardian," is Deep Springs International's program to provide safe water to Haitians.

The program provides Haitians with a home-based system that purifies their drinking water. It has been proven that it dramatically reduces E. coli contamination within the water.

"Access to clean water is essential to life and many in Haiti live without that basic need every day," said Christy Anderson, an active member of the EIU Haiti Connection.

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### THEATER



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Ryan McCain, sophomore theater arts major and Julie Zielinski, sophomore theater arts major play the roles of Valere and Mariane in Tartuffe.

## 'Tartuffe' brings cheers despite minor mistakes

By Cayla Maurer  
Staff Reporter

The crowd was all cheers when the cast came out for its final call in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Black Box on Monday.

Even though Dorine lost her shoe in the first half and Damis scared everyone when he burst through the door, mistakes did not bring down the cast.

The Black Box was transformed into the living room of the home of Orgon and his family.

Christopher Mitchell, the director of "Tartuffe," said "this is a great play for students because it is very funny and very historical."

"Tartuffe" is a play that could easily be adapted for the Eastern stage.

The original play was based in the 17th century. But for Eastern's version of the play, Mitchell chose the 1980s as the backdrop because it parallels the famous televangelists scandal in

1987 between Peter Popoff and James Randi.

Along with changing the year, the setting was changed from Paris, France to Louisiana. All the characters had southern accents.

Tim Tholl, a senior theater arts major, thoroughly enjoyed his role because it had a comedic background.

"It made me work on controlling my voice because of the accent," Tholl said.

Tholl transformed into the character Damis, a hot-headed man trying to make his father see that Tartuffe could not be trusted.

"I paid attention to arguments I was having with my parents," Tholl said. "I used the extreme emotion of it and took it right on stage."

Sydney Cassel, a freshman business management major, said the play was a good overall but not the way she imagined it.

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### LECTURE

## Reality television lacks authenticity

### Ohio professor presents lecture

By Rachel Rodgers  
Campus Editor

An English professor from Ohio State University presented a lecture focusing on why fictional representations of people come across as more authentic on television than real people on reality TV shows.

Robyn Warhol, a professor and director of "Project Narrative," presented the answer.

"The answer, of course, is that like the characters on 'The Office,' the stars of reality shows are representations of people too," Warhol said. "Their presentation in the television text is the result of an elaborate process of lighting, costuming and editing which produces personas I would say are as fictitious as any fictional character on TV."

"The Office, Real Housewives and the Ethics of Address in Mockumentary and Reality TV" lecture on Monday was a part of Women's History and Awareness Month.

"I'm interested in identifying the conventions and practices that television shows use to tell stories and I have used the narrative theory to account for how the stories achieve

their effects," Warhol said.

During the lecture, Warhol presented different video and still clips from "The Office" and "The Real Housewives."

Liz Surbeck, a junior English and foreign language major, said the lecture was innovative with visual narrative theory because she dealt with pop culture and how there is an unreality with reality TV.

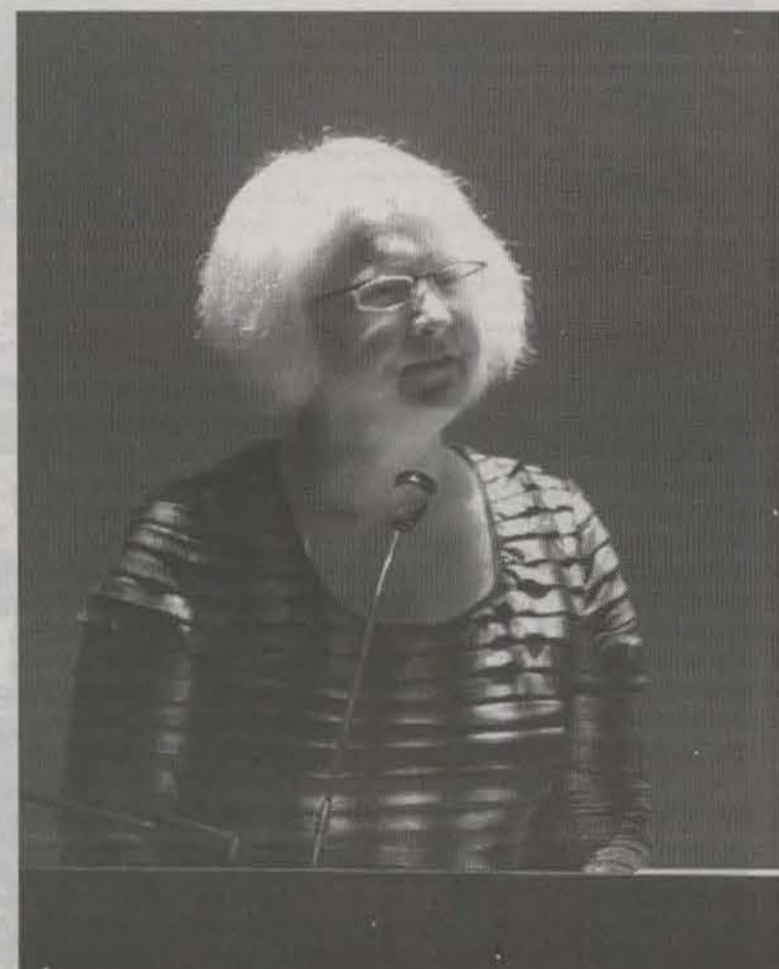
"I thought it was cool how she was able to examine how 'The Real Housewives' and 'The Office' individually deal with narrating their story and what makes those narrations so unique and different from one another," Surbeck said.

Surbeck also said there was an inversion between the shows because "The Real Housewives" is supposed to be reality but "The Office" seems more relatable.

Daiva Markelis, an associate English professor, said she thought it was especially interesting when Warhol compared the concept of characters looking at the camera in "The Office" with how people on reality TV shows do not make eye contact with the camera.

"I had never quite thought of the camera in 'The Office' to be an actual character but now that I see it that way it makes perfect sense," Markelis said.

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Robyn Warhol, arts and humanities distinguished professor of English from Ohio State University, gives her lecture The Office, Real Housewives and the Ethics of Address in Mockumentary and Reality TV Monday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center's Lecture Hall.

# EIU weather

TODAY	THURSDAY
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Low: 47°	Low: 32°

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# what's on tap

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p><b>11 a.m. Fat Tuesday</b> The University Food Court in the MLK Jr. Union will be hosting a Fat Tuesday from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>2 p.m. EIU men's tennis</b> The Eastern men's tennis team will be playing Kaskaskia College for their first home match at the Rex Darling Courts.</p>	<p><b>3 p.m. Disney program</b> Walt Disney recruiters will give a presentation about internships for college students in the University Ballroom in the MLK Jr. Union.</p> <p><b>7 p.m. Student Senate meeting</b> Student Senate will be meeting in the Arcola-Tuscola Room in the MLK Jr. Union.</p>	<p><b>5 p.m. Rubber Lovers</b> Rubber Lovers is having an open session to inform students about safe sex practices in the Charleston-Mattoon Room in the MLK Jr. Union.</p> <p><i>If you want to add to the tap, please e-mail <a href="mailto:dennewsdesk@gmail.com">dennewsdesk@gmail.com</a> or call 581-7942.</i></p>

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### Blog: Shin splints

Online News Director Barbara Harrington continues her running blog this week with an unfortunate roadblock to her running goal. To read Barbara's running blog for this week, go to DENnews.com.

## Celebrating alcohol-free St. Patty's Day



KIMBERLY FOSTER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Darius White, a senior family and consumer sciences major and the cultural arts chair of University Board, fills a cup with root beer Monday during UB's St. Patrick's Day Alcohol-Free Celebration on the south quad.

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## EIU History Lesson

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- 2002** Nationwide, there was an increase in ecstasy use by those at the college-age, but Charleston also saw an increase by its residents.
- 1991** A group of about 13 students presented an educational play to educate students about... The play was presented in the residence halls.
- 1988** The computing workstation... campus buildings were linked together by a local area network which gave officials instant access to computer data.

**COMPETITION**



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Members of the dance group Rhythm and Xtacy perform Monday during the EIU Best Dance Crew Competition in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

## 'Rhythm and X-Tacy' take home win

**By Geoffery Zuhone**  
 Staff Reporter

Eastern's first Best Dance Crew competition was won by "Rhythm and X-Tacy," one of three teams that competed Monday night along with featured professional dance crew, "Stick and Move."

The winning dance crew's five-minute show featured seven women and one man dancing in a classroom-designed set and was titled "Dance 101."

Tiara Pillow, a sophomore special education major and member of "Rhythm and X-Tacy," said she was very proud of the work that her team had done to get here, and the work that they did onstage.

"(Our team) did wonderful, and I think that everyone did good tonight," said Pillow.

"Jolie Dance Troupe" won second place with its show about love. The team consists of eight women on stage dancing and featured one man acting in scene to set up the theme of the dance.

"I thought it was fantastic," said Alicia Cook, a junior economics ma-

ior and a member of the "Jolie Dance Troupe." "I was amazed by the performance of the other group, and we're all just here to have fun."

The last dance crew, "Boyz of Poison," won third place in the competition. This was the debut performance of "Boyz of Poison" and the team consisted of four male members.

Jonathon Kinkle of "Boyz of Poison," a freshman communication major, said that the team had been practicing since winter break, and Boyz of Poison had also been showcasing its routine at local parties to raise awareness and hype for the event.

Also at the event was "Stick and Move," a professional dance crew from Chicago that came down to Eastern to judge the event. "Stick and Move" performed for about 30 minutes after the competition, showcasing the team's dance move on stage, involving much of the audience.

Darius White, a senior family and consumer sciences major and Cultural Arts Coordinator for the University Board, said that having "Stick and

Move" at Eastern was beneficial for the event.

"Having 'Stick and Move' judge tonight was a great way to judge the event and keep it unbiased," White said.

Extra chairs were needed to the Grand Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Ballroom to help seat the audience. White said that he was very pleased with the turn out and the number of people that came.

"It's great to see students getting involved, and I hope that we can make this an annual UB event," White said. "Next time I'd like for it to be at a bigger venue and for there to be more diverse dance crews."

Senior history major, Lace Walton, was also very happy with the turn out and the dancing.

"I was really happy to see a lot of people come out. This should really happen again because it brings a diverse group of people together on campus," said Walton.

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**CAMPUS**

## Union salon: open and ready

**Nike Ogunbodede**  
 Student Government Editor

With the exception of a few Eastern students, not many students know about the Union Hair Salon that is located in the basement of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

On the same floor of the bowling alley and the arcade area, the Creative Images hair salon is a one-woman business run by Shywana Elzy, 32, the founder of the salon.

Elzy is no stranger to the area, having graduated from the University of Illinois-Champaign-Urbana with a bachelor's degree in speech communication. Elzy also works at the Regis salon located in Champaign.

"I thought starting a salon at Eastern was my first step to expanding my brand," she said.

Mona Davenport, the director of Minority Affairs, was one of the people that helped bring Elzy to Eastern as well as one of her customers.

"I literally go because it's convenient," Davenport said.

Davenport said the Union tries to hire people that can do a variety of hair on campus.

"It was a good opportunity that came my way and I didn't want to pass it up," Elzy said.

Creative Images is open every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and every Thursday from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Walk-ins are permitted, but customers might have to wait. Elzy would prefer customers to make an appointment beforehand.

Elzy said she could be flexible upon popular request.

"If there is an event on campus and students ask for me to come on a Friday instead of a Thursday, then I will, she said.

**"It was a good opportunity that came my way and I didn't want to pass it up."**

*Shywana Elzy, founder of the salon*

Although, the first Union salon's started in 1996 because of the a lack of hair salons that could do "ethnically diverse" hair in the Charleston area, Elzy said she wants the Eastern campus to know she does not only do minority or female hair.

"I am pretty diverse; people think because I'm black I can only do black hair and that's not the case I can do everybody's hair," Elzy said.

Elzy specializes in a variety of different hair including long, short, permed and relaxed hair, but cannot do micro-braids or kinky twists. Elzy offers haircuts, waxes, relaxers, perms and highlights.

"If someone wants to create a color for his or her hair, it usually can't be bought so I'll usually mix that color myself," she said.

Elzy said her main focus is hair care.

"Most stylists only care about making a profit, but with me if I know what you want will damage your hair, then I won't do it or I'll give you a more hair healthy alternative," Elzy said.

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**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

## Flip-Flops found on ground throughout south quad

**By Seth Schroeder**  
 Activities Editor

The Alumni Association dropped 800 pairs of flip-flops throughout the South Quad Monday morning. The flip-flops were free for any student to take.

Chelsea Frederick, the assistant director of the Alumni Services, said the association chose to leave the flip-flops to help students become aware of the association before they graduate.

"It was our way of saying have a fun and safe spring break," Frederick said. "We labeled the flip-flops with 'Take me' because we were getting questions from students."

Frederick said no state funds were used to purchase the footwear and that all money came from the Alumni Association.

Originally, the association had planned on dropping the flip-flops early in the morning, and then making a second deposit later in the day. Frederick said they decided to only make one trip, because they were worried about the weather.

The sandals were also labeled

**"We want students to know the Alumni Association exists and that we're always here for them when they graduate."**

*Colleen Soto, marketing chair for the alumni association*

with the Facebook address of the Alumni Association and with information on a contest set up by the association.

Frederick said the contest is for students to send in their best photo of spring break to the association's Facebook page. The student with the best photo will win a \$50 gift card to the University Union Bookstore.

"Regardless of if students found a pair of flip-flops they can enter the contest," Frederick said.

The deadline for the contest is March 25.

Colleen Soto, the marketing chair for the Alumni Association, said they had left a variety of sizes and had also left both men and

women's styles.

She also said she had heard of other universities doing something similar in the past and that it was a fun way for students to interact with the association.

"We want students to know the Alumni Association exists and that we're always here for them when they graduate," Soto said.

Gary Miller, the president of the Alumni Association, said that with the current state funding situation, this was a good way to encourage people to help out Eastern in the future.

"We're not looking to make any money," Miller said. "It just seemed like a no-brainer. Sure it cost us a few bucks but it helps build rela-



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The EIU Alumni Association distributed flip-flops Monday on the south quad in anticipation of spring break as a way to connect the alumni with current Eastern students.

tionships with students."

Frederick also said that the project would be the beginning for the association.

"Students should look out more in the future," Frederick said, "We are trying to find new ways to

build the EIU spirit. Each semester look for something funky from the Alumni Association."

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STAFF EDITORIAL

## Post-it notes to tell us we are pretty

We all have them- insecurities. It does not matter if you are male, female or transgender; does not matter who you like or what brand you do or do not wear, they are still there. When was the last time you looked in the mirror and thought "I look great today!" several days in a row? We, as a society, should never have reached this point. We should not need post-it notes from strangers to remind us we are beautiful.

Operation Beautiful is a project by the University Board to put post-it notes around campus with compliments and inspirational messages.

How did we get here? It does not matter if we are too fat or thin, or if our curves are in the wrong places; the mission of Operation Beautiful is to end negative self-talk.

"You are beautiful just the way you are." While we think it is a great idea to put up post-it notes, is it needed? Do we need to see a random post-it note to remind us that we are beautiful? Yes, we do.

It is easy to blame TV shows like "Pretty Little Liars," "Hannah Montana" and "Bad Girl's Club."

While that is not a complete list of everything on TV it is a list of some of the more popular shows with our generation and younger ones.

They have skinny main characters, long hair and (for the most part) clear skin.

These characteristics dominate the popular shows and reinforce the idea that if we do not look like that we are not beautiful.

There are plenty of fat men on TV, with hot wives. They make jokes about their weight but still have happy lives in shows like "King of Queens" and "According to Jim." Even cartoon men are fat with skinny wives in "The Flintstones," "The Simpsons," and "Family Guy."

There are shows now like "Glee" with characters of all shapes and sizes, but it is not enough.

The skinny girls and fat men with hot wives do not need to leave TV, but they need to leave our mirrors. They are a one-in-a-million type. We should all be proud of who we are.

We need to remember that we are individuals, that is what makes us unique and stand out from the crowd.

If you start dieting to look like Naomi from "90210," you will not be you anymore. You will become a copy, not an original or individual, just another copy.

So remember when you start seeing post-it notes around campus that you are beautiful and so is everyone else around you. Keep that in mind and maybe one day we will not need a piece of paper to remind us how beautiful we are.

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COLUMN

## In lieu of E.T., love the life you are with

Well, Hollywood got one thing right; it did come from outer space. "It" is evidence of life from outside our planet.

NASA astrobiologist Richard Hoover published an article Friday in the Journal of Cosmology about his findings regarding fossilized microscopic bacteria from meteorites in Antarctica.

Like the alien bad guys in a bad sci-fi movie, news of these astounding findings has exploded.

In an interview with Reuters, Hoover said, "We have known for a long time that there were very interesting biomarkers in carbonaceous meteorites and the detection of structures that are very similar ... to known terrestrial cyanobacteria is interesting in that it indicates that life is not restricted to the planet Earth."

Meteorites are not uncommon. James Conwell, a professor in Eastern's physics department, said about 100 tons of meteors in varying sizes fall on the Earth every day, but most of it goes unnoticed because it falls in the oceans.

The bacteria Hoover found was similar to cyanobacteria, also known as blue-green algae, also known as the scum on Carman Pond.

However, Hoover's conclusion is highly controversial, especially since a similar dis-



Emily Steele

covery in 1996 never had conclusive proof. The journal's editor Rudy Schild said he has invited 100 experts and informally invited more than 5,000 scientists to review the paper for analysis.

Still, at first glance of Hoover's paper, Conwell said Hoover might have over-jumped his claims.

"My alarm bells are going off whether I believe it," Conwell said.

Conwell then directed me to the Discover magazine's Bad Science blog by astronomer Phil Plait and Universe Today's blog "Claims of Alien Life in Meteorite Needs Further Review."

The consensus in the scientific community, which I agree with, is that this astounding claim is nothing more than that.

The fascination and popularity that claims like this garner have always confused me. Statistically speaking, the odds are

much better for an alien life form to be bacteria instead of anything that looked like E.T.

Yes, it would be a monumental discovery. I believe life in and of itself is astonishing, but we take it for granted every single day.

Time and time again, from the warm primordial pools that the first single-celled organisms formed in, to the survival of Homo sapiens instead of our Neanderthal cousins, life on this planet has fought against enormous odds just to live.

Earth is filled with an estimated three to 30 million species, of which I can probably name about 200.

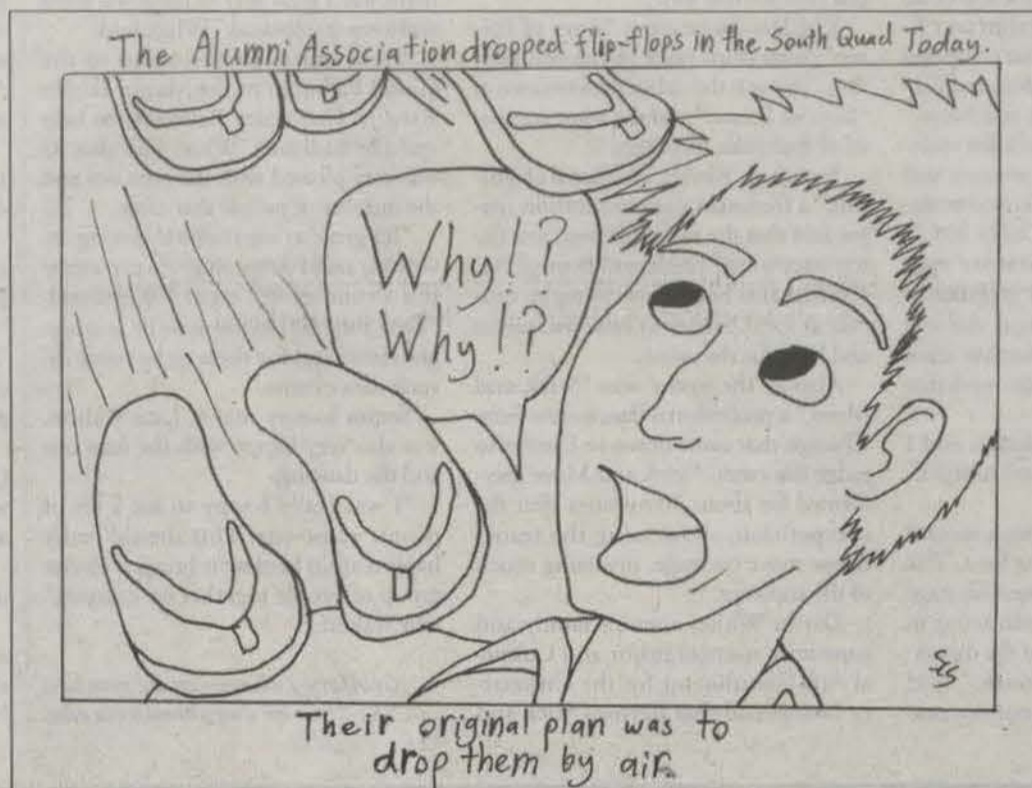
Now, with modern conveniences, it is far too easy to forget how fragile life really is. Case in point: I don't have to wake up and run down a woolly mammoth so I can eat breakfast like my ancestors.

Regardless of any religious beliefs or scientific toes I've stepped on, the point is this planet and every single organism that fills it are lucky to exist.

So all of you who jumped on the alien bandwagon, take another look around before looking to the skies.

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FROM THE EASEL



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COLUMN

## Unhealthy choice: fatty foods or thin wallets

Healthy eating and diet habits used to be a fad, but that fad does not seem to be going away anytime soon.

Our society has gradually formed the idea that skinnier is better, but cheaper is also better too. Unfortunately, skinnier comes at a high price.

Surprisingly to me, the lower-income and poorer population has increased in obesity compared to the higher class.

This has happened because fast food and processed "junk" foods are cheaper than produce, high-quality meats and organic food.

The cost of three pounds of organic apples is \$4.49, whereas the cost of regular apples is \$3.99 for three pounds. An apple is not even a full meal for most people. A person can get a McDougle from McDonalds for 99 cents.

A McDougle is going to fill someone before an apple will; yet the organic apples are four times the price of the McDougle. For most college students, and those with lower incomes, price does matter.



Abby Allgire

This means the McDougle is more likely to be chosen than the organic, or regular, apples.

Obesity in America has increased, but is it entirely the individuals' fault?

The economy is not in the best state by any means, so maybe a correlation is starting to form between the economy and obesity.

I am still baffled by the idea that overly processed foods containing lots of calories and fat are so much cheaper than foods that do not even use pesticides and have very little fat and caloric content.

The bad things come with a good price,

and the good things come with a bad price.

The economy has directly affected the health and weight of society.

Those who are poorer and have lower incomes are practically forced to buy fast food and processed junk food, while the healthy and organic foods are only feasible for those who are at least in the middle class.

There are people that can help the fact that they are obese or overweight, but some cannot help it because of their financial state.

It is unfortunate that your economic state can now control your weight and health.

Some people are not able to control their economic state, which also makes them unable to control their food quality and weight.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

# Senate members get ideas from conference in Texas

Erica Aguilar & Steve Puschmann  
 Staff Reporters

The Student Senate sent three members to represent Eastern at the 30th annual Conference On Student Government Associations that takes place at Texas A&M University.

The conference usually takes place on the last weekend in February and it is about three-to-five days long. This is Eastern's seventh year sending student representative to the conference.

The Student Senate members who attended the conference were Alex Boyd, Roberto Luna and Zach Samples.

Only three students were able to go on the trip this year because of funding. Boyd and Samples both said they wished a larger amount of students would be able to go in future years. Boyd and Samples also said having a female student on the trip would have brought a different viewpoint on the discussions.

"(A female representative) would have paid attention to different things," said Boyd, a sophomore political science major. "But the same could be said about any individual."

The three Eastern representatives met with other student representatives from other universities across the country, Mexico and the Bahamas.

The three students attended seven to 10 different workshops throughout the day with 10 to 12 representatives at each meeting.

Luna, a junior finance major, was one of the representatives responsible for beginning the pizza with the president program, which was brought back from the conference.

Luna said Eastern goes to COSGA to help promote its ideas and learn new ideas as a way to promote school services and pride.

"Things that came from COSGA were pizza with the president, Panther Service Day and Panther Nation which all came from COSGA," Luna said.

"These helped promote student engagement and school pride."

During Wednesday's Student Senate meeting Luna, Boyd and Samples will present a PowerPoint detailing what they want to bring to Eastern's campus this year.

Boyd said he would like to see some of the programs other universities showed him implemented at Eastern.

"There are just some that wouldn't work here because we are a smaller school," Boyd said.

Samples, a freshman history major, said COSGA allowed him to see how different student governments operate.

"I found out that a lot of the same issues facing the student government and our campus are a lot of the same issues facing other student governments and campuses across the nation," Samples said.

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RETENTION EFFORTS

# Faculty Senate to host discussion on retention

Staff Report

The Faculty Senate and the Committee on Retention Efforts will host a forum to evaluate retention trends and brainstorm the best methods for student retention today.

Karla Sanders, CORE chairwoman, said the committee was appointed by Blair Lord, the vice president for academic affairs, and Dan Nadler, the vice president for student affairs, to generate new ideas "that would have a positive effect for retention."

After evaluating data, both groups will tackle discussion topics relevant to student retention.

John Pommier, the Faculty Sen-

ate chairman, said the Faculty Senate will look at retention data and use that as a momentum to have lively discussion with CORE.

At 3 p.m., the senate will move to the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union to meet with consultants hired by the Strategic Planning Committee.

This is the first time the consultants have visited Eastern's campus and they asked to meet with both the Strategic Planning Committee, as well as Faculty Senate, Pommier said.

The forum will take place at 2 p.m. in the Arcola-Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

NATION

# Subways outnumber McDonald's

The Associated Press

Subway now has more restaurants worldwide than McDonald's.

The sandwich chain surpassed the world's largest hamburger chain in terms of number of stores in the U.S. in 2002 and now it has taken the global lead.

Subway had 33,749 restaurants worldwide at the end of last year, according to the company. McDonald's Corp. had 32,737, according a regulatory filing.

"We've been on a great run," said Tony Pace, chief marketing officer of Subway's Franchisee Advertising Fund Trust, the franchisees organization un-

der the company's umbrella.

Subway is entirely franchisee-owned. That has been part of its success, Pace said. Its smaller-format stores cost less to open and operate than other chain restaurants. The company's emphasis on cost-control, marketing and advertising has also helped grow the brand.

BLOTTER

# Two credit card frauds reported on campus

At 12:51 a.m. on Thursday a cannabis complaint was reported at the South Quad. This incident was referred to the Office of Student Standards.

On Friday it was reported that credit card fraud had occurred on Feb. 4 at 5:12 p.m. at 2075 Ninth St. This incident is under investigation.

On Friday it was reported that credit card fraud had occurred on Dec. 10, 2010 at 10:40 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union ATM. This incident is under investigation.

At 2:06 p.m. on Wednesday an electronic harassment report was filed at Carman Hall. This incident is under investigation.



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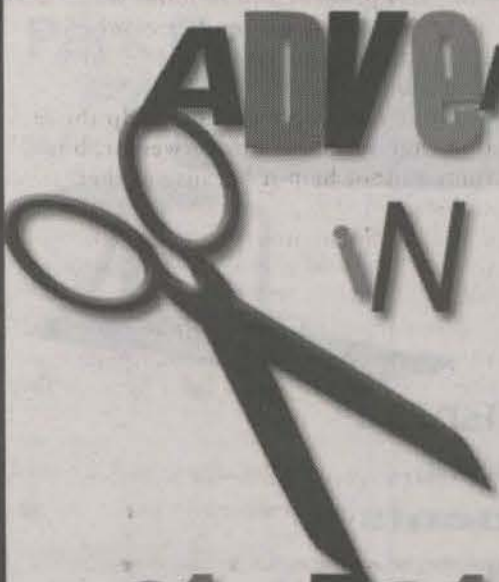
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## WOMEN'S HISTORY AND AWARENESS MONTH

## Female scientists to share their contributions to mathematics

By Jennifer Brown  
Staff Reporter

Three Eastern biological science professors plan to discuss environmental issues specific to their separate research in the panel discussion "Women, Science and Sustainability."

The panel discussion is a part of Women's History and Awareness Month and will be at 7 p.m. today in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Lecture Hall.

Ann Fritz, an associate professor of biology, said the panelists were selected through the biological department because of their scientific contributions with sustainability.

"The focus is going to highlight what is each professor's interest," Fritz said. "We're going to take the broad topic of sustainability and look at three components: how to monitor the environment, how to restore the environment when it has been disturbed and how people have been living in an area where they have been under military occupation."

Fritz, the moderator of the panel discussion, said each of the panelists will discuss through research how the toxic chemicals of our environment affect our lives.

Karen Gaines, the chairwoman of the biological sciences department, said she was chosen for the panel because of her specialty in environmental sustainability.

"It's women's history month, so

I'll talk about how I got into research and sustainability," Gaines said. "We're more equally represented in applied sciences; women bring different perspectives and make that field branch out."

Fritz said part of Gaines research has involved researching toxic components and how they affect the environment. She also said she monitors the consequences of the environment.

Nida Schweil-Elmuti, an instructor of biological sciences, will be presenting how Pakistani women are affected by the toxic chemicals of the environment and will primarily focus on how the Pakistani women have been affected by their adverse community where they currently reside under military occupation.

Schweil-Elmuti is going to talk about the environment on more of a global aspect, Fritz said.

"She will be focusing on the women's role and how they function in that environment," Fritz said.

Gaines said they have a program called "Women, Science and Mathematics."

"Studies have shown women problem solve different than men," Gaines said. "My expertise is in spatial analysis which is how men and women look at things differently."

Janice Coons, a professor of biological sciences, said the event focuses on the women's history and awareness month theme of women and the environment and will discuss her re-

**"It's women's history month, so I'll talk about how I got into research and sustainability."**

Karen Gaines, chairwoman of the biological sciences department

search about native species.

Coons said she will talk about three specific areas, the first of which is about limited or rare species in Illinois and throughout the United States.

"It focuses on rare species which involve species in Florida and the Dakotas," Coons said. "It's about their ability to grow and their ability to pollinate."

Coons said she will also discuss preserve centers that restore plants and how we have two demonstration gardens on campus.

"I think men and women have different perspectives on things and have different priorities," Gaines said. "What we do does make a difference."

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## MUSIC

## Concert Band to use paper instrument

By Seth Schroeder  
Activities Editor

The EIU Concert Band will perform classic and contemporary music during its concert today including a piece where they will use paper as an instrument.

Barry Houser, the acting director of bands, said the piece is called "Paper Cut" and the band will cut and fold paper to an electronic rhythm.

"You get the electronic track playing computerized sounds. So then you will have paper, instruments, and computerized sounds," Houser said. "The concert band hasn't done anything like this before. We think it will just be a blast."

The concert will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Dvorak Concert Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Houser said that Alex Shapiro, an American composer, wrote "Paper Cut" in the summer 2010.

Matt Murphy, a freshman music education major, said working on "Paper Cut" has been fun but challenging. He said since the band will be playing with an electronic track, they will have to play to the track's tempo and not set their own.

"A lot of what we will play are standard pieces but this will be the exact opposite since we will play with paper," Murphy said.

Houser said the concert will feature music primarily from English and American composers.

Houser said Eastern's band will

also perform along side the band from Mayo Middle School in Paris, Ill.

"This is a great recruitment tool to be an ambassador for the university," Houser said. "It will instill the Eastern way at a very early age whether they study music or anything. I feel our campus has a lot to offer."

Murphy said the middle school students have been working hard and he is excited to see what they can do.

Chris Mroczek, a graduate conducting student, said that the program will be a good experience for the middle school students to see what Eastern's music room is like on a day-to-day basis.

Mroczek said the goal of the concert is to build up a variety of traditional and contemporary band literature for the students.

Mroczek will be conducting a piece called "Second Suite in F" by Gustav Holst, an English composer.

Houser and Mroczek said this will be the 100th year anniversary of "Second Suite in F" as it was composed in 1911.

The band will also perform "Rush" by Samuel Hazo, "Second Prelude" by George Gershwin and "Hosts of Freedom" by Karl King. All are American composers.

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## NATION

## Fatal shooting prompts outcry among Sikhs, Muslims

By The Associated Press

WEST SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The daily stroll had become routine for two elderly Sikh men in a Sacramento suburb, as well as for neighbors and friends accustomed to seeing the men walk by with their long beards and turbans.

But the traditional headwear might have singled them out late last week when they were gunned down, one fatally, in what police are investigating

as a suspected hate crime. On Monday, local religious leaders pleaded for the community to come forward with leads but also said they will not be deterred by violence.

"Our community will continue to wear our turbans proudly," said Navi Kaur (NA'ee Kar), the granddaughter of Surinder Singh, 65, who died from his wounds.

His friend, 78-year-old Gurmej Atwal, remains in critical condition.

They were walking through their

neighborhood in Elk Grove, just south of the capital, Friday afternoon when someone in what witnesses described as a pickup truck opened fire. Police said they have no suspects nor any indication the shooting was a hate crime, but said the turbans could have made the elderly men a target of extremists.

During a news conference Monday at a Sikh temple, a spokesman said the recent violence has scared some temple-goers into concealing any indicators of their religion.

Sikhs often are mistaken for Muslims and have been the subject of occasional violence across the country since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"The enemies of the United States don't wear turbans in the United States," said Amar Shergill, a Sikh leader and attorney. "They don't want to be singled out. The result is that Sikh Americans since 9-11 have borne the brunt of violent hate crimes."

Sikhs draw particular attention because of their traditional beards and

turbans, which are mistakenly associated with Islamic terrorists. Shergill said Monday also marked the start of a trial involving another possible hate crime against a Sikh.

He is the attorney for a Sikh cab driver beaten by passengers who shouted anti-Islamic slurs at him four months ago in West Sacramento.

The Elk Grove police department said last week's shooting would be the first targeting Sikhs in the city if it turns out to be a hate crime.



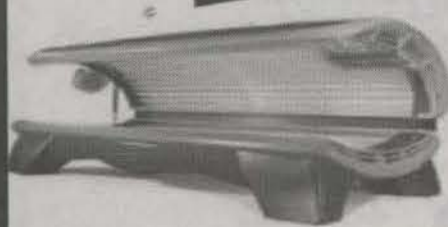
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# NATION

## Young shooting victim honored in MLB exhibition

By The Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — This was one spring training trip Ozzie Guillen and several other big leaguers gladly took.

The Chicago White Sox and Arizona Diamondbacks traveled two hours to Tucson on Monday to play a charity game that honored Christina-Taylor Green, the 9-year-old girl killed in the attack on congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords.

Chicago beat the Diamondbacks 12-1 in the split-squad exhibition to benefit the Christina-Taylor Green Memorial Fund.

"A lot of guys wanted to come here because of the cause," said Guillen, the Chicago manager.

Six people were killed and 13 injured in the January shooting in Tucson. Both teams used to hold spring training at the complex where the game was held before moving to the Phoenix area, and 7,419 fans were in attendance.

Green's father, John, is a scout for the Los Angeles Dodgers and grandfather Dallas was a former major league manager and pitcher.

The young girl's 11-year-old brother,

also named Dallas, threw out a first ball, as did some of her Little League teammates. Guillen and Diamondbacks players John Hester and Tony Abreu caught the tosses.

"I'm not the kind of guy who chokes up too often," Guillen said. "I got tears in my eyes when those kids came up and shook my hand."

Among the items sold for charity were pink pins bearing Christina-Taylor Green's initials, purple wristbands and commemorative T-shirts.

"Baseball has been such a big part of all our lives as a family that we feel hon-

ored to be here," John Green said. "We miss our daughter tremendously, but I think this is something she would be very proud of. A lot of people reached out to our family."

Alexei Ramirez, who homered twice, Adam Dunn and Carlos Quentin were in the Chicago lineup. The D-backs sent regulars Stephen Drew, Miguel Montero and Kelly Johnson.

Drew said he had an opportunity to talk with the Greens before the game.

"It's a huge cause," said Drew, who went 2 for 3 in the game. "It's unfortunate, what happened. To be able to give

back to that cause, it's really a positive outlook."

White Sox starter Edwin Jackson allowed a run and six hits in 3 1-3 innings.

"It's always good to be able to give back as much as we can," Jackson said. "It's an unfortunate situation that we have to be here, but as long as we can bring a little peace and a little happiness, that's what we're here for."

Ramirez went 3 for 3 with three RBIs. Ramon Castro of the White Sox and Cody Ransom of the Diamondbacks also homered.

### PERRY, from page 1

Over 20 states in the country have already implemented performance-based funding including Tennessee and most recently Ohio.

On Feb. 14, Rep. Chapin Rose filed House Bill 1503 aiming to reform state funding for Illinois colleges and universities by instituting outcomes based budgeting due to Perry and the FSC's efforts. In Rose's proposal, annual budget requests must incorporate performance-based funding beginning in the fiscal year 2013.

The board will have two fiscal years to implement this performance-based funding. Once the deadline passes, the board must update how the funding is calculated

every six months and report to the governor and the General Assembly.

"With limited taxpayer dollars, we need to move our funding system for higher education to an outcomes-based system that protects our areas of strength and positions Illinois to be a world leader in higher education," said Rose in a press release.

In 2008, Eastern received only \$4,566 per full-time student, based on university figures. This is the lowest of state funding among the six four-year public master's institutions in Illinois. However, Eastern had the highest student retention rate and the second highest graduate rate among the six institutions that same

year.

Last August, Perry wrote a letter to the FSC highlighting his main reasons for pushing this effort.

Part of Rose's proposal involves higher education working with the state universities to develop the overall system for outcome-based funding.

Perry agrees with this route.

"It gives the higher education community time to collaborate and contribute what system we end up with," he added.

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### TARTUFFE, from page 1

"I didn't really like it because I had to read the original play for class. So I had it pictured differently in my head, but I liked the way they modernized it," Cassel said. "My favorite actor was Dorine because she was very opinionated."

Mitchell said, "I have no advice for them to improve. I just want them to maintain their energy that they had tonight."

"Tartuffe" was chosen to perform two years in advance by faculty.

The last showing of "Tartuffe" is at 7 p.m. today. Tickets are \$5 for students, \$10 for Eastern employees and seniors, and \$12 for gener-

al admission.

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**"I used the extreme emotion of it and took it right on stage"**

Tim Tholl, senior theater arts major

### HAITI, from page 1

"Just \$10, the cost of just two chicken nugget meals at McDonald's, can provide a family with a system that gives them the ability to purify their own water."

Anderson said students should go to this event because it addresses the issue of global water something we take for granted on a daily basis.

"We are responsible for more than what we can see," Anderson said.

She said the group's goal for the year is to raise \$8,000, enough to supply systems for 800 families.

Anderson said the Haiti Connection has put in hours of work organizing and advertising this night not only on campus, but posting flyers around town as well.

Dan Reible, the owner of the coffee shop, said this is not the first time they have supported a local fundraiser.

A lot of organizations contact the coffee shop for fundraisers not only because it does not cost them anything, but they can also provide a stage and PA system for bands and music Reible said.

"We feel it's being a part of the community in Charleston to provide those kinds of places," Reible said.

Anderson has set up live entertainment for the event featuring Motherload, Jenna Jackley & Rydelle and Eric Fitz & Steve Kaiser.

The coffee shop will be showing local artists Haitian art at the event. The group will also be holding a silent auc-

tion throughout the evening.

Members of the Haiti Connection will be on hand throughout the night to answer any questions about their organization.

Anderson said while the event is to raise money for the Haiti Connection the most important aspect is raising awareness.

"If people get nothing else from this event, I would hope they walk away with a sense of concern for these people and begin to appreciate the blessings we enjoy living here in the U.S." Anderson said.

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### REAL, from page 1

After showing a five minute clip of "The Real Housewives: Atlanta," Warhol said she noticed how there were many different camera angles, but none of the people registered an awareness to the cameras and the characters' reality is put into question because directing and editing the show drains them of anything resembling human subjectivity.

"The undetectable cameras are part of a machinery form of realism, treating the screen as a window on the reality unmediated by art or craft," Warhol said.

Warhol presented three "reality effects" to categorize the differences between mockumentary and reality TV. The effects are "camera in the story

world," "direct address to the audience" and "the incoherent subject."

Warhol said since characters from "The Office" directly address the camera, they break the fourth wall by creating a connection to relate to the audience, even though they are fictional characters.

"A part of me wants to think of pop culture as something superficial but it is lectures like these that remind me that pop culture can have a deeper meaning to it," Surbeck said. "There is something we can really learn about society from pop culture."

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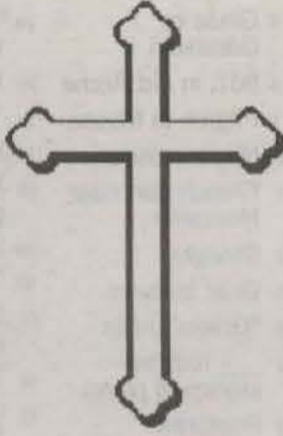
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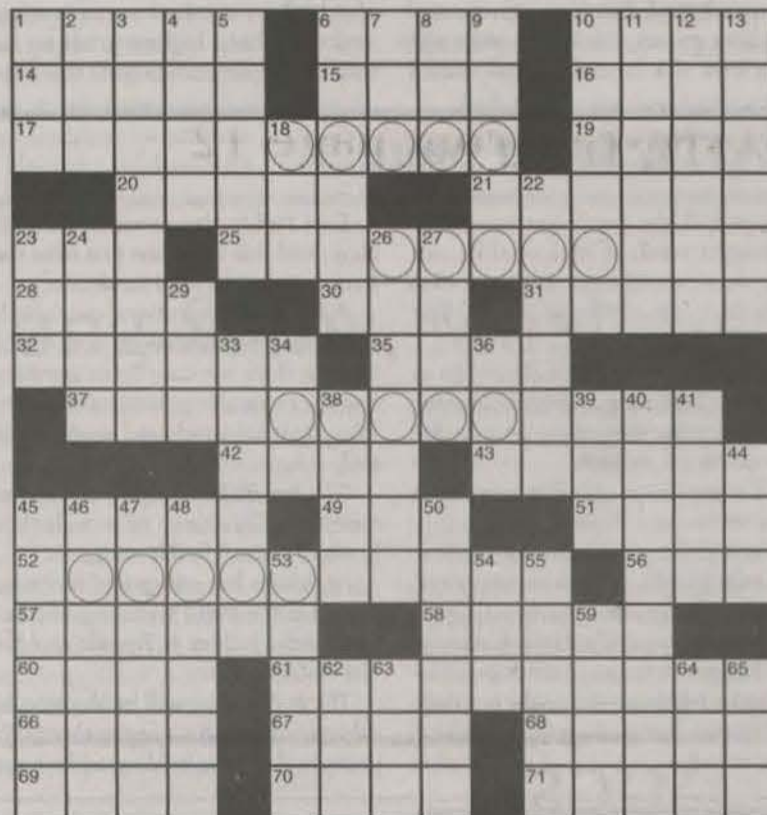
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30 Sign at a sellout  
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23 Foofaraw  
24 Tulip or lily planting  
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53 "Arabian Nights" prince  
54 Pull the plug on  
55 Baseball's Garciaparra  
59 Actress Garr or Hatcher  
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# STATE

## Johnson wins Big Ten POY

PARK RIDGE — Purdue's Jajuan Johnson was voted Big Ten Player of the Year on Monday and the Boiler-makers' Matt Painter was honored as Coach of the Year after their team finished second in the Big Ten despite losing star Robbie Hummel to injury.

The 6-foot-10 Johnson, who led the Big Ten in scoring (20.5) and blocked shots, was a unanimous all-conference choice and joined on the first team by Purdue's E'Twaun Moore, Wisconsin guard Jordan Taylor and Ohio State freshman Jared Sullinger. Those four were chosen in balloting by both media and coaches.

Rounding out the coaches team was Wisconsin's Jon Leuer while Penn State's Talor Battle got the nod on the media's first team.

Johnson was conference defensive player of the year by coaches, Sullinger was picked as freshman of the year and the Buckeyes Aaron Craft tabbed as the league's best sixth man.

It marks the first time a player has won both Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year since Illinois' Dee Brown did it in 2005.

Hummel was lost in preseason practice to a knee injury, but Purdue still finished 25-6, including 14-4 in the Big Ten to be runner-up in the regular season to the Buckeyes (29-2, 16-2). The Big Ten tournament starts Thursday in Indianapolis.

The 6-foot-9, 280-pound Sullinger made an immediate impact for the Buckeyes, averaging 17.3 points and 9.7 rebounds during Ohio State's

dominant season.

Painter was coach of the year for a second straight seasons. In his sixth year at Purdue, he's lead the Boiler-makers to at least 20 wins for five straight seasons.

The media's second team included Leuer, Michigan State's Kalin Lucas, Trevor Mbakwe of Minnesota and William Buford and David Lighty of Ohio State.

On the coaches' second unit were Lucas, Mbakwe, Buford, Lighty and Battle.

The media's third team consisted of Illinois' Demetri McCamey, Michigan's Darius Morris, Michigan State's Draymond Green, Northwestern's Michael Thompson and Ohio State's Jon Diebler.

## Indians, White Sox finish in tie

By The Associated Press

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Cleveland manager Manny Acta felt sorry for the pitchers on Monday.

Alex Rios of the White Sox and Luis Valbuena of the Indians each homered twice and drove in five runs as Cleveland and a Chicago split-squad played to a 16-16 tie.

The game was called after nine innings. Winds gusted up to 25 mph at times in a slugfest that included 21 runs and 22 hits through the first four innings.

"Those first three innings were just excruciating because of the wind," Acta said. "It was a tough day to be out there for any type of pitcher unless you're an overpowering stuff type of guy who is going to miss bats."

Rios hit a two-run shot in the first and a three-run drive off Mitch Talbot in Chicago's seven-run second, helping the White Sox to a 9-6 lead.

Mark Teahen had two hits and three RBIs for Chicago, which finished with 19 hits. Stefan Gartrell had a two-run homer and Dayan Viciedo added three hits.

Valbuena had a two-run homer in the second and a tying three-run shot in the eighth that made it 14-11. Nick Weglarz also hit a two-run homer for Cleveland.

In addition to the 32 runs, the Indians and White Sox combined for 39 hits, 16 for extra bases, 10 walks, six errors and four wild pitches. The only scoreless inning was the fifth, when each team went down in order.

Lucas Harrell was roughed up in his second spring appearance for the White Sox, allowing six runs and eight hits in 1 2-3 innings.

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In the first game of a double-header on Sunday, the Panthers committed zero errors and won their first game of the season.

The second game was a different story. Eastern made two errors, charging three unearned runs to freshman pitcher Luke Bushur. They went on to lose by a score of 4-1.

If Eastern is going to get their season turned around and start winning on a regular basis, they simply cannot afford to give away runs. The runs the defense gave Evansville Sunday proved to not only be the deciding

factor in the game, but they swung momentum in the favor of the Purple Aces and changed the entire complexion of the contest.

While Sunday's first game featured four separate offensive rallies for the Panthers, but the game also saw Eastern go three up, three down five times throughout the game.

The offense should be putting pressure on the opposing defense and pitcher every inning, not letting them get comfortable. When the opposing pitcher settles into a rhythm, if the opposing offense comes back and

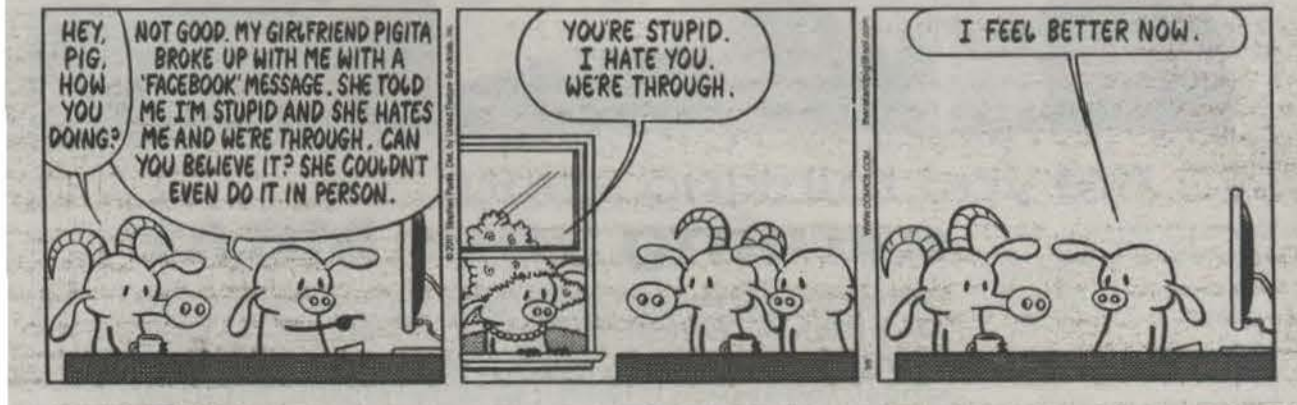
takes the lead, it becomes much harder to knock the other team out of that defensive groove.

The Panthers still have a long season ahead of them and getting their first win was a big step in the right direction. But if they are going to keep the momentum going, they have got to stay sharp and continue improving throughout the season.

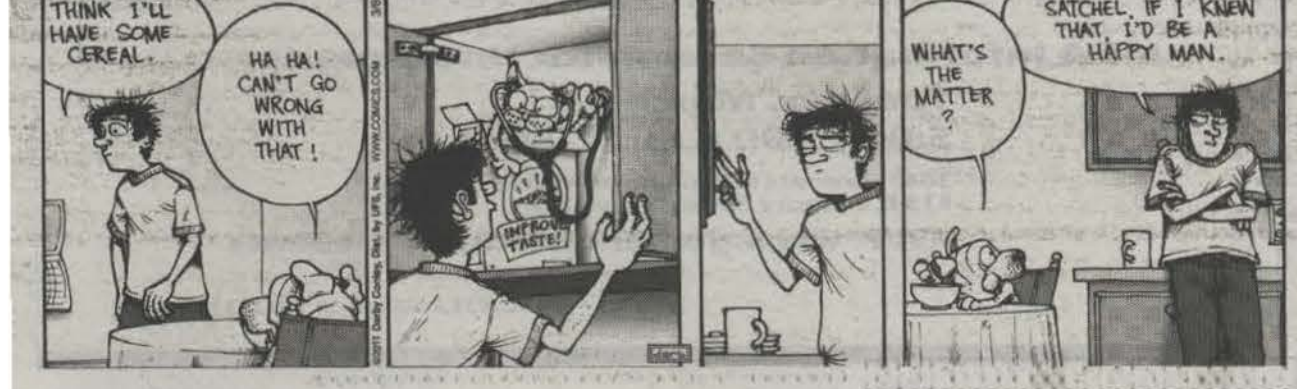
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# NATION

## NFL, union decide will resume talks Tuesday

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Trying to work their way to a new labor deal, Commissioner Roger Goodell and NFL Players Association head DeMaurice Smith resumed negotiations for four hours Monday.

With both sides adhering to mediator George Cohen's admonition that they not discuss the talks publicly, it wasn't clear how much — if any — progress was made in the shorter-than-usual session. The only sure thing: The sides planned to meet again Tuesday.

The current collective bargaining agreement originally was set to expire last week, but two extensions have now pushed the cutoff to the end of Friday. After months of infrequent formal negotiations and plenty of acrimony, the sides have spent 12 days at the Federal Mediation Conciliation Service, but they still remain apart on key economic issues.

What will happen the rest of this week is still anyone's guess. If a deal isn't reached, the sides could agree to yet another extension and negotiate beyond Friday. Or talks could break off, leading to, possibly, a lockout by

owners or antitrust lawsuits by players.

The NFL has not lost games to a work stoppage in nearly a quarter-century, and by agreeing to continue with mediation, the league and union made it clear neither was quite ready to make the drastic move of shutting down a sport that rakes in more than \$9 billion a year in revenues and is more popular than ever. The past two Super Bowls rank No. 1 and No. 2 among most-watched TV programs in U.S. history.

The old CBA was agreed to in 2006, and owners exercised an opt-out clause in 2008, leading to the current stalemate.

Money, not surprisingly, is at the center of it all.

One person with knowledge of the negotiations told The Associated Press last week that the NFLPA has not agreed to any major economic concessions — and that the NFL has not agreed to the union's long-held demand that the league completely open its books and share all financial information.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because Cohen insists that everyone involved stay mum about the substance of the talks.

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NATION

# Aaron Johnson guides team to title

By The Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Aaron Johnson's family piled into two vans, a truck and a car for the 10-hour caravan from Chicago, then crammed 18 people into three hotel rooms.

All to see the UAB point guard and national assists leader play his final regular-season game at Bartow Arena. Family is big for this really big family.

"They could have given us one room here, and we could have made it," said Rashaun Johnson, 28 and the oldest of 12 siblings. "One room, one bed, and nobody would have complained about anything."

They certainly weren't complaining about the outcome.

Aaron Johnson led the Blazers to a 66-48 win over East Carolina on Saturday to clinch their first outright Conference USA regular-season title.

Johnson's numbers in two of the biggest games of coach Mike Davis's

tenure at UAB: 18 points, 23 assists, a single turnover and, in the finale, one Chicago-style cheering section. The final tally was 27 family members, 22 of whom were on the court with him for the Senior Night ceremony before the game.

The senior leads the Blazers (22-7) into the league tournament hoping to finally make it into the NCAA field. They'll play the East Carolina-Central Florida winner on Thursday.

And the team's smallest player is one of the biggest reasons for this season's success. The 5-foot-8, 185-pounder is averaging 11.1 points and 7.8 assists per game and was named first-team All-Conference USA on Monday by coaches and media.

And, even more important, Johnson is set in May to become the first member of his family to graduate from college.

"He's a special kid," Davis said. "I'm saying that not because of winning games. He's here, he's going to graduate. He's had 90 percent of his

practice and games at a level that very few can match from an effort standpoint. I think he's player of the year in our conference.

"He's the (top) defensive guy in our conference."

Johnson holds UAB's career and single-season assist records, reaching double digits 10 times this season. He had a 26-point, 14-assist, seven-rebound performance in a triple overtime win over C-USA rival UTEP in January.

Johnson is mainly a driver and passer who generates chances for others, not a shooter. Rashaun Johnson said growing up in a sometimes five-to-a-bedroom house helped shape his brother's generosity.

"Aaron's the kind of person, he likes to make other people happy," said Rashaun, who played a season in junior college. "He's always been that way. Even as a child, sharing things, he had no problem with it."

Johnson is the fourth-oldest of 12 children. Only one sibling, brother

Tony, failed to make the trip to Birmingham last week — his wife had a baby that morning.

A sister who's a freshman at the University of Missouri rode a bus to Chicago, and a cousin from Iowa also met the family in the city for the caravan. Others came later.

Johnson was raised in the rough Engelwood community on Chicago's Southside by parents Anthony Bowers and Sharon Johnson, longtime partners who have never married.

Rashaun, who works as a security supervisor for a Chicago company, said all of the kids steered clear of legal trouble growing up in what Aaron Johnson describes as "probably the baddest area on the Southside of Chicago."

"My dad and my mom are strong-willed people," the UAB star said. "They made sure that we stayed close to each other, and they made sure that they instilled principles in us from the beginning."

But the family did have its share of

adversity.

Johnson said they were evicted from three homes, once splitting up for eight months when he was in the 10th grade. His mother stayed in a shelter with the younger children while the others lived in the apartments of Rashaun or sister Tabitha.

"We called them every day to make sure everybody was OK," Johnson said. "It was definitely hard at times, but we didn't let it knock us down. We tried to keep moving in the best direction possible."

When Johnson talks about the challenges of growing up in Englewood and things that can lead youngsters "onto the wrong path," he follows that up with the positives of neighbors helping each other out. And about changing diapers and feeding the younger siblings when he was just a kid himself.

It gave him a chance to be a role model like Rashaun was to him. And the big family supplied that healthy cheering section on Senior Night.

# Texas Tech fires Pat Knight as head coach

By The Associated Press

LUBBOCK, Texas — Pat Knight sat in the Texas Tech locker room and lauded his bosses for the way they let him go after three disappointing seasons.

It was, after all, different from the way his famous father was ousted at Indiana more than a decade ago.

"It's not an ugly situation," Knight said. "I mean, we left on good terms. I'm glad it ended like that, especially after being part of the deal at Indi-

ana. That was tough. But this is different. It's business."

Texas Tech fired Knight on Monday, ending a disappointing tenure for a coach who failed to lead the Red Raiders to the NCAA tournament after taking over for his father in February 2008. He will coach the Red Raiders at this week's Big 12 tournament and then step down.

Knight said he was glad his dismissal came before the tournament because of all the potentially negative

media chatter about a pending firing.

"It's not just negative toward us. It's negative to the university," Knight said. "It's not good, even for the guy that's following ... that's why I just told them, when they told me, 'You're not going to get another year,' let's just get it out there now. It worked out for the best."

Knight is 50-60 in his first Division I coaching job and his third full year as head coach. He had only one winning season (19-16 in 2009-10)

at Texas Tech.

Sitting in the coaches' portion of the Tech locker room, Knight told The Associated Press the situation felt "surreal."


"I would have loved to have another year to prove myself because of recruits we have coming in but I understand it's all based on this year and stuff," he said. "You just got to move on."

Knight seemed to know he might be dismissed in comments about the Red Raiders program following a 71-

68 home loss to Colorado on Feb. 23.

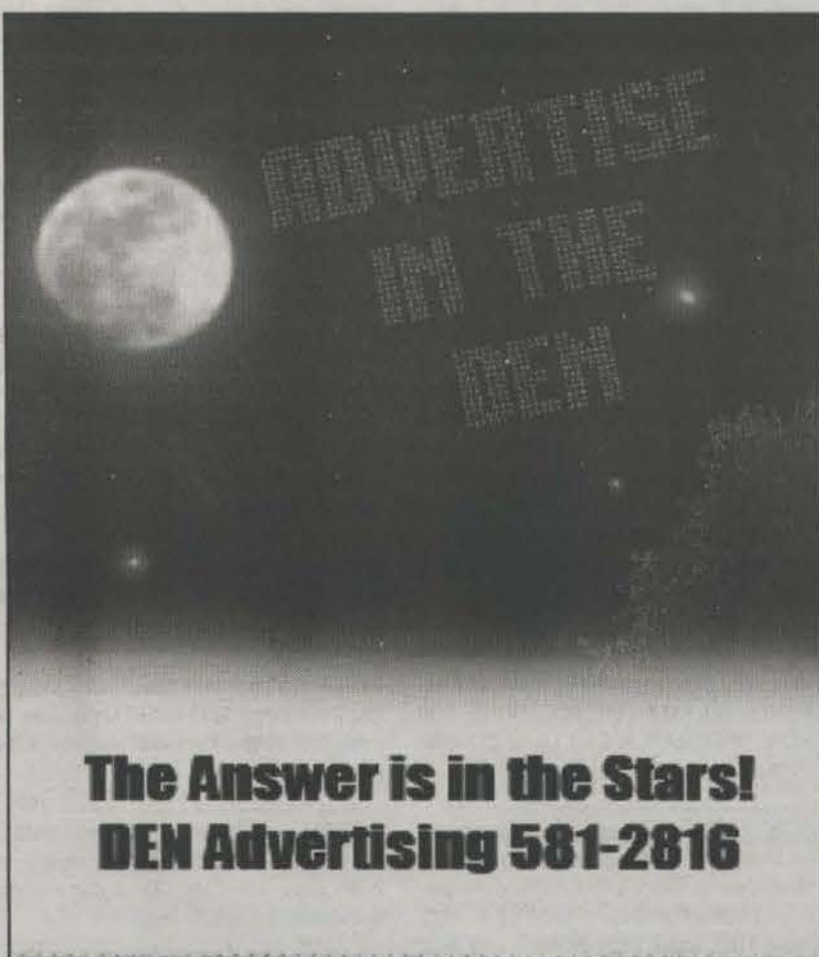
"We've lost seven games in the last minute," he said then. "I've proven I can coach. I run a clean program, I don't cheat, my players graduate and we have discipline. So if you don't want me here there's going to be someone else that wants me."

Knight met with Texas Tech president Guy Bailey early Monday and the announcement came a short time later. Bailey said it was time for a change.



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GOLF

# Team gets back in swing of things

## Teams load vans for Florida trip on spring break

By Doug T. Graham  
Staff Reporter

The men's and women's golf teams will each play in a pair of tournaments in Florida next week during Eastern's spring break.

The North/South Spring Invitational at the Jacksonville Beach Golf Club in Jacksonville, Fla. will be the first tournament played by either team since the fall semester. After the Invitational concludes on Tuesday, both teams will compete in the Butler Spring Break Invitational at Windsor Parke Golf Club, which is also in Jacksonville, Fla.

The teams will leave Friday, each in their own van, for the 12 hour trip to Florida.

The cold, wet Illinois weather kept women's junior golfer Kathryn Koester off of the golf course for all of winter break. Koester said she was confined to practicing inside, which has benefits but is no substitute for being able to play outside.

"It's good for you to get back into the swing of things," Koester said of playing indoors. "But it's hard to judge because you can't see where your actual ball goes. Once you can actually get out and hit the ball outdoors and see where your ball's going and you can adjust your swing more to that."

Since returning to Eastern, both teams have been practicing in the Lantz Fieldhouse, a space that they share with other teams.

Senior Veronica Bernier said not every team member can make it to the indoor practices because of their class schedules. It was only last week, the seventh of the semester, that the weather allowed the teams to begin practicing outside.

The less than ideal practice conditions are among the reasons Bernier said she doesn't feel fully ready for the tournaments.

"I wish I could say I think we are fully prepared," Bernier said. "We've only gotten about a week of practice in outside so it's a disadvantage for us."

Starting their spring season in a warmer climate is something of a tradition for the golf teams. Two years ago, both teams played in the Samford Invitational in Oneonta, Ala. and last year the women's team played a pair of tournaments in Florida.

Bernier said last year the weather was even worse and the team didn't get to play outside even once before going to Florida, where they placed fifth of 13 at the Northern Illinois Snowbird at Peeblebrook Golf Course in Tampa, Fla. and first of 3 at the Spring Fling at the Mission Hill Resort in Howey in the Hills Fla.

So far, neither team has placed as well in tournaments compared to the 2009-2010 campaign.

The men's team's best finish was a tie for seventh out of 17 at the Austin Peay Fall Invitational at The Links at Novadell in Hopkinsville, Tenn. Last year they had a better fall, finishing fourth of 10 at the Morehead State Fall Kickoff in Pineville, Ky.

They have yet to top their third place finish out of 13 at the Western Illinois Invitational at Harry Mussa-

to Golf Course in Macomb Ill. last March. They hope to do better in the OVC Conference Championship, which is in late April. Last year they finished ninth of nine in the championship, which determines one's seeding in sectional and regional tournaments beyond the season.

The woman's fall featured a top three finish when they were 3<sup>rd</sup> of 9 in the SIU-Edwardsville Fall Intercollegiate at Sunset Hills Golf Course in Edwardsville, Ill. So far they've yet to top their performance in the 2009-2010 campaign when they finished 1st of 14 at the Butler Invitational in Indianapolis, Ind.

Koester said she hopes the team will have a better season in the spring.

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MEN'S TENNIS



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Warren Race, a sophomore, competes April 11 in a match against Austin Peay. The men's tennis team will face Kaskaskia College today at the Rex Darling Courts.

## Team to host Kaskaskia College

Staff Report

Eastern's men's tennis team will play its first home match of the season against Kaskaskia College at 1:15 p.m.

The Panthers are currently on a seven-match losing streak and have won

only one match this season. Their current record stands at 1-8 overall.

Freshman Kevin Bauman has shown some promise as he has the most wins of any player on the roster. He is currently 4-5 on the season in singles matches.

Kaskaskia College is 0-7 overall and has lost four matches by the score 9-0.

Women's tennis will have its home opener on Thursday against Chicago State. The dual match is set to start at noon.

OVC RECAP

## Skyhawks, Eagles claim OVC tournament titles

### Women's champ brings home first ever title

Staff Report

The Morehead State Eagles won the men's Ohio Valley Conference championship, beating the Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles 80-73 last Saturday. The win earns Morehead State an automatic berth into the NCAA tournament.

The Eagles were lead by senior Demonte Harper, who had 27 points, eight assists and 11 rebounds in the game. Harper was also named the

tournament's most valuable player. Teammate senior center Kenneth Faried had 24 points and 15 rebounds, marking the 27<sup>th</sup> career double-double for the potential NBA prospect.

The UT- Martin Skyhawks won the women's Ohio Valley Conference championship, defeating the Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles 82-75. UT-Martin will earn the school's first ever NCAA tournament bid with the win.

The Skyhawks were led by freshman Jasmine Newsome, who scored 24 points in the effort. The Skyhawks have one of the country's youngest teams, with nine freshman on the roster.

All-Tournament teams

Men's Tournament Team

Demonte Harper, Morehead State  
Kenneth Faried, Morehead State  
Kevin Murphy, Tennessee Tech  
Zac Swansey, Tennessee Tech  
Jud Dillard, Tennessee Tech

Men's MVP

Demonte Harper  
Morehead State

Women's Tournament Team

Brooke Faulkner, Austin Peay  
Chynna Bozeman, Morehead State  
Tacarra Hayes, Tennessee Tech  
Heather Butler, UT Martin  
Jasmine Newsome, UT Martin

Women's MVP

Jasmine Newsome  
UT Martin

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## WOMEN'S TENNIS

# Team wins two straight over weekend

## Panthers beat IUPUI, Bradley back-to-back

By Grant Truccano  
Staff Reporter

The Eastern women's tennis team has now won two straight matches. Its first win came against the Bradley University Braves Friday. The Panthers won the match 5-2.

The Panthers then faced Indiana University/Purdue University at Indianapolis Sunday. The Panthers also beat IUPUI with the same score, 5-2.

Four women won their sets against the Braves. Freshman Janelle Prisner, junior Shannon Brooks, junior Amanda Dibbs and junior Annie Egan all won their matches.

Prisner started off poorly losing her first set 4-6, but then kicked it back into gear winning her next two sets 6-4, 6-1.

Brooks won both her sets in convincingly; 6-3, 6-2.

Dibbs performed well, winning both of her sets 6-1. Egan dominated winning both her sets 6-0.

Two doubles teams won their matches against the Braves. Sophomore Merritt Whitley and senior Cara Huck won their match convincingly with a score of 8-2.

The other team to win their match was freshman Jennifer Kim and Brooks. Kim and Brooks won their match 8-1.

The Panthers next match was against IUPUI, four women tennis players also won their singles matches. Whitley, Kim, Brooks and Dibbs won their singles matches against the Jaguars.

Whitley made quick work of her opponent winning her sets 6-1, 6-3.

Kim won the longest match of the day. She won the first set 7-5; however, she lost her second set 2-6. Her third set went into a tie-breaker, where Kim would win 10-6 giving her an important point for the team.

Brooks performed well winning her match 6-2, 6-1. Dibbs won her sets 6-2, 6-4.

All three doubles teams won their matches against IUPUI. The team of Whitley and Huck won their match 8-0. Prisner and Dibbs won their match 8-0. Kim and Brooks won a tough match in a tie-breaker with a score of 8-7.

As for right now, the Panthers are 4-3, 3-3 away, and 1-0 on neutral courts.

They will return home for their next match against Chicago State this Thursday at Rex Darling Courts. Match time is set for noon.

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Sophomore Merritt Whitley prepares to hit a backhand during a tennis match against Austin Peay April 11. Both the men's and women's tennis teams will compete against Chicago State Thursday at home on the Rex Darling Courts.

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## MEN'S CLUB RUGBY

# Rugby Club looks to continue tradition, loses to Illinois in match over weekend

## Shaky reputation has not stopped team from playing

By Dominic Renzetti  
Assistant Sports Editor

On a muddy field in Champaign this past weekend, members of the Hornet Rugby Club, watched as teammate Jody West laid on the field, writhing in pain as he had his leg examined.

West had broken his leg, dislocated and tore every ligament in his ankle; just another day at the office for Eastern's only men's rugby club.

The Hornet Rugby Club played a match this weekend at the University of Illinois against the university's club team. The club lost to 10-0 in the scrimmage. The series was a scrimmage to prepare for the team's upcoming season in which they will look to compete in two tournaments and as well as hosting two home matches later this month. The team's home meets will

take place on March 26 and April 16.

The team is led by captain Chris Green, junior communication studies major, is one of the more experienced members of the team, entering his tenth season as a rugby player.

Green has played for five different teams over the course of seven years, and now looks to lead the Hornets to another successful season.

Despite the loss over the weekend, Green was still pleased with his team's performance.

"It definitely went well, for what I was expecting. It was kind of nerve racking thing because we had so many rookies," Green said.

The club currently has about 40 members and competes against various other club teams across the state. Green says about 75 percent of team are first year players.

"Its definitely a new game for a lot of people," Green said.

Green said rugby is not a sport players will be able to pick up over night, but newer players just need to give it the time to gain experi-

ence. One first year player is freshman business management major Aaron Origel. Origel said he was encouraged by Green to try out rugby and he has since grown to like it.

Green said he sees rugby as a sport growing in popularity across the United States with more and more high schools creating rugby teams and rugby gaining more national U.S. exposure with a match recently being aired on CBS and being put back into the Olympics.

Green said the Hornet Rugby Club looks to continue the tradition of the Eastern rugby team of the 1970s and 80s, but look to turn around the team's reputation with the university. The Eastern rugby team was disbanded by the university after an incident which ended with a house burning down.

The Hornet Rugby Club stays true to the traditions of rugby, by joining the opposing club in a celebration after each match while singing rugby songs and enjoying the fellowship of the game.

Green does not expect for there to be a resurrection of the East-

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Chris Green, captain

ern men's rugby program anytime soon, but enjoys the team he has now and looks forward to a fun filled season.

The Hornet Rugby Club plays its first home match March 26 on the intramural fields.

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## VIEWS



Brad Kupiec

# Changes to be made after win

Panther baseball has finally won a game in 2011.

Now that they have gotten over the proverbial first-win-of-the-season hump, the team needs to keep the momentum going, have another good week of practice, and look to pick up more wins this weekend at Alabama.

While playing a South Eastern Conference school will pose a daunting challenge for Eastern, if they swing the bats they way they did in four of Sunday's first nine innings, the Panthers will have a real shot to steal a game or two from the Crimson Tide, if they don't win all three.

Sunday's double-header was a great example of the pivotal role defense will play during rest of this season for the Panthers.

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## EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

**Baseball**  
Friday vs. Alabama  
6 p.m. - Tuscaloosa, Ala.

**Softball**  
Sunday - Rebel Spring Games  
10 a.m. - Kissimmee, Fla.

**Men's Tennis**  
Tuesday vs. Kaskaskia College  
2 p.m. - Rex Darling Courts

**Women's Tennis**  
Thursday vs. Chicago State  
noon - Rex Darling Courts

**Track**  
Friday - NCAA Championships  
TBA - College Station, Texas

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**NBA**  
New Orleans at Chicago  
8 p.m. on Comcast Sports Chicago

**NBA**  
Dallas at Minnesota  
8 p.m. on FOX SW

**NBA**  
San Antonio at Chicago  
7 p.m. on TNT

**NHL**  
Columbus at St. Louis  
9 p.m. on FXSO

**NHL**  
Washington at Tampa Bay  
7 p.m. on Versus